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111th Congress, 1st Session

Congressional News

- Congressman Raul Grijalva-AZ recently introduced a bill that would require federal agencies to work in consultation with tribal, state and local authorities to develop a strategic plan for securing US borderlands and report those suggestions to Congress by the end of September. Provisions of this legislation as they relate to the Department include: potential impacts to wildlife, habitat and migration corridors as a result of security infrastructures and related activities, as well as a mitigation cost analysis for these resources. This bill was triple-assigned to House committees, and was recently referred to the Subcommittee on Border, Maritime, and Global Counterterrorism.
- H.R.2100 is legislation that would convey land currently administrated by BLM to AGFD for the purposes of designating a shooting 'Tri-state' shooting facility. The legislation is sponsored by Congressman Trent Franks-AZ, and has been referred to the House Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands. We are reviewing the exact provisions of this legislation internally.
- Congressman Tom Coburn-OK, in a strategic move, offered an amendment in the Senate for consideration of concealed-carry guns into national parks and wildlife refuges. The measure passed by a vote of 67-29. The Bush Administration had established a rule allowing for concealed-carries, however, this past March, the rule was blocked by a federal judge stating that the Interior Department failed to conduct an EA assessment.
- H.R. 1916, the 'duck stamp' bill, H.R.2188, and H.R. 2062 recently received a hearing in the House Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife. The first 2 bills received bi-partisan support and support from the Obama Administration; however the H.R.2062, a bill to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act was noted by the administration as being redundant. The provisions of the legislation would create more stringent penalties for those who illegally take birds under the current provisions of the Migratory Bird treaty Act.

Congressional Legislation 2009

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Tracking List

Highlighted information indicates that the information has changed or been added since the last Congressional update.

The Arizona Game and Fish Commission has taken formal positions on some of the legislation in this Congress, and those positions are indicated in the summaries below.

H.R.45 (Blair Holt's Firearm Licensing and Record of Sale Act of 2009)

Title: To provide for the implementation of a system of licensing for purchasers of certain firearms and for a record of sale system for those firearms, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Rush, Bobby L.](#) [IL-1] (introduced 1/6/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/9/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

H.R.48 (Asian Carp Prevention and Control Act)

Title: To amend section 42 of title 18, United States Code, popularly known as the Lacey Act, to add certain species of carp to the list of injurious species that are prohibited from being imported or shipped.

Sponsor: [Rep Biggert, Judy](#) [IL-13] (introduced 1/6/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/9/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

H.R.80 (Captive Primate Safety Act)

Title: To amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to treat nonhuman primates as prohibited wildlife species under that Act, to make corrections in the provisions relating to captive wildlife offenses under that Act, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Blumenauer, Earl](#) [OR-3] (introduced 1/6/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (27)

Related Bills: [S.462](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/12/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R.146 (Striker-Public Lands Omnibus 2009)

Title: An act to designate certain land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System, to authorize certain programs and activities in the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Holt, Rush D.](#) [NJ-12] (introduced 1/6/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (10)

Related Bills:

[H.RES.280](#), [H.R.165](#), [H.R.166](#), [H.R.169](#), [H.R.170](#), [H.R.234](#), [H.R.279](#), [H.R.280](#), [H.R.283](#), [H.R.286](#), [H.R.316](#), [H.R.328](#), [H.R.337](#), [H.R.338](#), [H.R.351](#), [H.R.369](#), [H.R.401](#), [H.R.404](#), [H.R.408](#), [H.R.410](#), [H.R.419](#), [H.R.438](#), [H.R.453](#), [H.R.454](#), [H.R.455](#), [H.R.488](#), [H.R.545](#), [H.R.552](#), [H.R.602](#), [H.R.604](#), [H.R.763](#), [H.R.921](#), [H.R.1435](#), [H.R.1694](#), [S.22](#)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-11 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)] 3/30/09.

Note: Omnibus land bill.

H.R.324 (Santa Cruz Valley National Heritage Area Act)

Title: To establish the Santa Cruz Valley National Heritage Area, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 1/8/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.

H.R.325 (Avra/Black Wash Reclamation and Riparian Restoration Project)

Title: To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Avra/Black Wash Reclamation and Riparian Restoration Project.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 1/8/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.

H.R.326 (Cocopah Lands Act)

Title: To direct the Secretary of the Interior to take lands in Yuma County, Arizona, into trust as part of the reservation of the Cocopah Tribe of Arizona, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 1/8/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (None)

Latest Major Action: 4/2/2009 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held.

H.R.388 (Crane Conservation Act of 2009)

Title: To assist in the conservation of cranes by supporting and providing, through projects of persons and organizations with expertise in crane conservation, financial resources for the conservation programs of countries the activities of which directly or indirectly affect cranes and the ecosystems of cranes.

Sponsor: [Rep Baldwin, Tammy](#) [WI-2] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (11)

Related Bills: [S.197](#)

Latest Major Action: 4/22/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R.404 (Included in Public Lands Omnibus-see H.R.146 and S.22)

Title: To establish the National Landscape Conservation System, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (37)

Related Bills: [H.R.146](#), [S.22](#)

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.

H.R.405 (Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program Act)

Title: To authorize appropriations for the Bureau of Reclamation to carry out the Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program in the States of Arizona, California, and Nevada, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Heller, Dean](#) [NV-2] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.

H.R.411 (Great Cats and Rare Canids Act of 2009)

Title: To assist in the conservation of rare felids and rare canids by supporting and providing financial resources for the conservation programs of nations within the range of rare felid and rare canid populations and projects of persons with demonstrated expertise in the conservation of rare felid and rare canid populations.

Sponsor: [Rep Inslee, Jay](#) [WA-1] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (7)

Related Bills: [S.529](#)

Latest Major Action: 4/22/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R.503 (Prevention of Equine Cruelty Act of 2009)

Title: To amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit certain conduct relating to the use of horses for human consumption.

Sponsor: [Rep Conyers, John, Jr.](#) [MI-14] (introduced 1/14/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (122)

Related Bills: [S.727](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/16/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

H.R.510

Title: To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require that the payment of the manufacturers' excise tax on recreational equipment be paid quarterly.

Sponsor: [Rep Kind, Ron](#) [WI-3] (introduced 1/14/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (49)

Related Bills: [S.632](#)

Latest Major Action: 1/14/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

AGF Commission Position: Support

H.R.551 (Sierra Vista Subwatershed Feasibility Study Act)

Title: To authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study of water augmentation alternatives in the Sierra Vista Subwatershed.

Sponsor: [Rep Giffords, Gabrielle](#) [AZ-8] (introduced 1/15/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.

H.R.552 (Included in Public Lands Omnibus-see H.R.146 and S.22)

Title: To amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Arizona National Scenic Trail.

Sponsor: [Rep Giffords, Gabrielle](#) [AZ-8] (introduced 1/15/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Related Bills: [H.R.146](#), [S.153](#), [S.22](#)

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.

H.R.642 (Recreational Shooting Protection Act)

Title: To provide opportunities for continued recreational shooting on certain Federal public land.

Sponsor: [Rep Flake, Jeff](#) [AZ-6] (introduced 1/22/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.

H.R.644 (Grand Canyon Watersheds Protection Act of 2009)

Title: To withdraw the Tusayan Ranger District and Federal land managed by the Bureau of Land Management in the vicinity of Kanab Creek and in House Rock Valley from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 1/22/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (10)

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.

H.R.647

Title: To authorize the International Boundary and Water Commission to reimburse State and local governments of the States of Arizona, California, New Mexico, and Texas for expenses incurred by such a government in designing, constructing, and rehabilitating water projects under the jurisdiction of such Commission.

Sponsor: [Rep Hinojosa, Ruben](#) [TX-15] (introduced 1/22/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (2)

Latest Major Action: 1/23/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

H.R.669 (Nonnative Wildlife Invasion Prevention Act)

Title: To prevent the introduction and establishment of nonnative wildlife species that negatively impact the economy, environment, or other animal species' or human health, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Bordallo, Madeleine Z.](#) [GU] (introduced 1/26/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (30)

Latest Major Action: 4/23/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

H.R.699 (Hardrock Mining and Reclamation Act of 2009)

Title: To modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain lands, consistent with the principles of self-initiation of mining claims, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Rahall, Nick J., II](#) [WV-3] (introduced 1/27/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (31)

Latest Major Action: 2/26/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

H.R.715 (Saguaro National Park Boundary Expansion and Study Act of 2009)

Title: To expand the boundary of Saguaro National Park, to study additional land for future adjustments to the boundary of the Park, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 1/27/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 3/3/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

H.R.1018

Title: To amend the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act to improve the management and long-term health of wild free-roaming horses and burros, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Rahall, Nick J., II](#) [WV-3] (introduced 2/12/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (6)

Latest Major Action: 4/29/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 21 - 14.

H.R.1054

Title: To amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to allow importation of polar bear

trophies taken in sport hunts in Canada before the date the polar bear was determined to be a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973.

Sponsor: [Rep Young, Don](#) [AK] (introduced 2/12/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (13)

Latest Major Action: 2/20/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

H.R.1055 (Restoration of the U.S.-Russia Polar Bear Conservation Fund Act of 2009)

Title: To amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to allow the importation of polar bear trophies taken in sport hunts in Canada.

Sponsor: [Rep Young, Don](#) [AK] (introduced 2/12/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (3)

Latest Major Action: 2/18/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

H.R.1328 (Farmland Preservation and Land Conservation Act of 2009)

Title: To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an unlimited exclusion from transfer taxes for certain farmland and land of conservation value, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Bishop, Timothy H.](#) [NY-1] (introduced 3/5/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (2)

Latest Major Action: 3/5/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R.1373

Title: To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a resource study along the "Ox-Bow Route" of the Butterfield Overland Trail in the States of Missouri, Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and California, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Boozman, John](#) [AR-3] (introduced 3/6/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (3)

Latest Major Action: 3/11/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

H.R.1404 (F.L.A.M.E.)

Title: To authorize a supplemental funding source for catastrophic emergency wildland fire suppression activities on Department of the Interior and National Forest System lands, to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to develop a cohesive wildland fire management strategy, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Rahall, Nick J., II](#) [WV-3] (introduced 3/10/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (15)

Related Bills: [H.RES.281](#), [S.561](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/26/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

AGF Commission Position: Support

H.R.1520 (Federal Land Asset Inventory Reform Act of 2009)

Title: To improve Federal land management, resource conservation, environmental protection, and use of Federal real property, by requiring the Secretary of the Interior to develop a multipurpose cadastre of Federal real property and identifying inaccurate, duplicate, and out-of-date Federal land inventories, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Kind, Ron](#) [WI-3] (introduced 3/16/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (6)

Latest Major Action: 3/18/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

H.R.1584 (Flexibility in Rebuilding American Fisheries Act of 2009)

Title: To amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to extend the authorized time period for rebuilding of certain overfished fisheries, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Pallone, Frank, Jr.](#) [NJ-6] (introduced 3/18/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (13)

Latest Major Action: 3/23/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

H.R.1612 (Public Lands Service Corps Act of 2009)

Title: To amend the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 to expand the authorization of the Secretaries of Agriculture, Commerce, and the Interior to provide service-learning opportunities on public lands, help restore the nation's natural, cultural, historic, archaeological, recreational, and scenic resources, train a new generation of public land managers and enthusiasts, and promote the value of public service.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 3/19/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (8)

Latest Major Action: 4/23/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.

H.R.1684 (Preservation of the Second Amendment in National Parks and National Wildlife Refuges Act)

Title: To preserve the rights granted under second amendment to the Constitution in national parks and national wildlife refuge areas.

Sponsor: [Rep Hastings, Doc](#) [WA-4] (introduced 3/24/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (47)

Latest Major Action: 3/27/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

H.R.1696 (Clean Ocean and Safe Tourism Anti-Drilling Act)

Title: To amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to permanently prohibit the conduct of offshore drilling on the outer Continental Shelf in the Mid-Atlantic and North Atlantic planning areas.

Sponsor: [Rep Pallone, Frank, Jr.](#) [NJ-6] (introduced 3/24/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (7)

Latest Major Action: 3/30/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.

H.R.1831 (Conservation Easement Incentive Act of 2009)

Title: To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions.

Sponsor: [Rep Thompson, Mike](#) [CA-1] (introduced 3/31/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (116)

Related Bills: [S.812](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/31/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R.1914

Title: To amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to provide for the suspension of each provision of the Act during periods of drought with respect to Federal and State agencies that manage Federal river basins that are located in each region affected by the drought.

Sponsor: [Rep Deal, Nathan](#) [GA-9] (introduced 4/2/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (3)

Latest Major Action: 4/13/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.

H.R.1916 (Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act)

Title: To amend the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Act to provide for a revised schedule of price increases for the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp, popularly known as the "Duck Stamp", and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Dingell, John D.](#) [MI-15] (introduced 4/2/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 5/13/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

H.R.2062 (Migratory Bird Treaty Act Penalty and Enforcement Act of 2009)

Title: To amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to provide for penalties and enforcement for intentionally taking protected avian species, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep DeFazio, Peter A.](#) [OR-4] (introduced 4/23/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (11)

Latest Major Action: 5/13/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

H.R.2076 (Border Security and Responsibility Act 2009)

Title: To provide for the establishment of a border protection strategy for the international land borders of the United States, to address the ecological and environmental impacts of border security infrastructure, measures, and activities along the international land borders of the United States, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 4/23/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (18)

Latest Major Action: 5/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Border, Maritime, and Global Counterterrorism.

H.R.2100 ("Tri-State")

Title: To provide for the conveyance of certain public land in Mohave Valley, Mohave County, Arizona, administered by the Bureau of Land Management to the Arizona Game and Fish Department, for use as a public shooting range.

Sponsor: [Rep Franks, Trent](#) [AZ-2] (introduced 4/27/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (None)

Latest Major Action: 4/30/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

H.R.2188 (Joint Ventures for Bird Habitat Conservation Act of 2009)

Title: To authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to conduct a Joint Venture Program to protect, restore, enhance, and manage migratory bird populations, their habitats, and the ecosystems they rely on, through voluntary actions on public and private lands, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Kratovil, Frank, Jr.](#) [MD-1] (introduced 4/30/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (3)

Latest Major Action: 5/13/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

H.R.2192 (Climate Change Safeguards for Natural Resources Conservation Act)

Title: To establish an integrated Federal program to protect, restore, and conserve the Nation's natural resources in response to the threats of climate change and ocean acidification.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 4/30/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (10)

Latest Major Action: 5/5/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment.

H.R.2213

Title: To reauthorize the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act.

Sponsor: [Rep Kind, Ron](#) [WI-3] (introduced 4/30/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (2)

Related Bills: [S.690](#)

Latest Major Action: 5/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

H.R.2288 (Endangered Fish Recovery Programs Improvement Act of 2009)

Title: To amend Public Law 106-392 to maintain annual base funding for the Upper Colorado and San Juan fish recovery programs through fiscal year 2023.

Sponsor: [Rep Salazar, John T.](#) [CO-3] (introduced 5/6/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (9)

Latest Major Action: 5/6/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.2308 (Sportsmanship in Hunting Act of 2009)

Title: To amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit certain interstate conduct relating to exotic animals and certain computer-assisted remote hunting, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Cohen, Steve](#) [TN-9] (introduced 5/7/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (2)

Latest Major Action: 5/7/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

S.22 (Striker H.R. 146, Public Lands Omnibus 2009)

Title: A bill to designate certain land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System, to authorize certain programs and activities in the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Bingaman, Jeff](#) [NM] (introduced 1/7/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Related Bills:

[H.R.169](#), [H.R.170](#), [H.R.222](#), [H.R.234](#), [H.R.280](#), [H.R.316](#), [H.R.328](#), [H.R.337](#), [H.R.338](#), [H.R.369](#), [H.R.401](#), [H.R.404](#), [H.R.407](#), [H.R.408](#), [H.R.419](#), [H.R.438](#), [H.R.454](#), [H.R.455](#), [H.R.488](#), [H.R.545](#), [H.R.552](#), [H.R.604](#), [H.R.608](#), [H.R.763](#), [H.R.867](#), [H.R.921](#), [H.R.926](#), [H.R.1109](#), [S.40](#), [S.109](#), [S.110](#), [S.135](#), [S.153](#), [S.159](#), [S.183](#), [S.188](#), [S.189](#), [S.190](#), [S.191](#), [S.215](#), [S.217](#), [S.219](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/11/2009 Failed of passage/not agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Failed by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 282 - 144 (Roll no. 117).

Note: For further action, see [H.R.146](#), which became Public Law 111-11 on 3/30/2009.

S.40 (Included in Public Lands Omnibus-see H.R.146)

Title: A bill to designate Fossil Creek, a tributary of the Verde River in the State of Arizona, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

Sponsor: [Sen McCain, John](#) [AZ] (introduced 1/6/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (1)

Related Bills: [S.22](#)

Latest Major Action: 1/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.152 (Walnut Canyon Study Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to jointly

conduct a study of certain land adjacent to the Walnut Canyon National Monument in the State of Arizona.

Sponsor: [Sen McCain, John](#) [AZ] (introduced 1/6/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 1/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.153 (Included in Public Lands Omnibus-see H.R.146)

Title: A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Arizona National Scenic Trail.

Sponsor: [Sen McCain, John](#) [AZ] (introduced 1/6/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (1)

Related Bills: [H.R.552](#), [S.22](#)

Latest Major Action: 1/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.197 (Crane Conservation Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to assist in the conservation of cranes by supporting and providing, through projects of persons and organizations with expertise in crane conservation, financial resources for the conservation programs of countries the activities of which directly or indirectly affect cranes and the ecosystem of cranes.

Sponsor: [Sen Feingold, Russell D.](#) [WI] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (9)

Related Bills: [H.R.388](#)

Latest Major Action: 1/9/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.297 (Charter and Recreational Fishing Collective Marketing Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to amend the Act entitled "An Act authorizing associations of producers of aquatic products" to include persons engaged in the fishery industry as charter boats or recreational fishermen, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Nelson, Bill](#) [FL] (introduced 1/22/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (None)

Related Bills: [S.477](#)

Latest Major Action: 1/22/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.373

Title: A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to include constrictor snakes of the species Python genera as an injurious animal.

Sponsor: [Sen Nelson, Bill](#) [FL] (introduced 2/3/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/3/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.409 (Southeast Arizona Land Exchange/Resolution Copper)

SHORT TITLE(S) AS INTRODUCED:

Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act of 2009

Title: A bill to secure Federal ownership and management of significant natural, scenic, and recreational resources, to provide for the protection of cultural resources, to facilitate the efficient extraction of mineral resources by authorizing and directing an exchange of Federal and non-Federal land, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Kyl, Jon](#) [AZ] (introduced 2/11/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 2/11/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.462 (Captive Primate Safety Act)

Title: A bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to prohibit the importation, exportation, transportation, and sale, receipt, acquisition, or purchase in interstate or foreign commerce, of any live animal of any prohibited wildlife species, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Boxer, Barbara](#) [CA] (introduced 2/24/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (7)

Related Bills: [H.R.80](#)

Latest Major Action: 2/24/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.477 (Fishermen's Collective Marketing Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to amend the Act entitled "An Act authorizing associations of producers of aquatic products" to include persons engaged in the fishery industry as charter boats or recreational fishermen, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Nelson, Bill](#) [FL] (introduced 2/25/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (None)

Related Bills: [S.297](#)

Latest Major Action: 2/25/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.489 (Migratory Bird Treaty Amendment Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to authorize hunting under certain circumstances.

Sponsor: [Sen Vitter, David](#) [LA] (introduced 2/26/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/26/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.529 (Great Cats and Rare Canids Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to assist in the conservation of rare felids and rare canids by supporting and providing financial resources for the conservation programs of countries within the range of rare felid and rare canid populations and projects of persons with demonstrated expertise in the conservation of rare felid and rare canid populations.

Sponsor: [Sen Lieberman, Joseph I.](#) [CT] (introduced 3/5/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (7)

Related Bills: [H.R.411](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/5/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.561 (F.L.A.M.E.)

Title: A bill to authorize a supplemental funding source for catastrophic emergency wildland fire suppression activities on Department of the Interior and National Forest System lands, to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to develop a cohesive wildland fire management strategy, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Bingaman, Jeff](#) [NM] (introduced 3/10/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (14)

Related Bills: [H.R.1404](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/10/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

AGF Commission Position: Support

S.632 (Firearms Fairness and Affordability Act)

Title: A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require that the payment of the manufacturers' excise tax on recreational equipment be paid quarterly.

Sponsor: [Sen Baucus, Max](#) [MT] (introduced 3/18/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (8)

Related Bills: [H.R.510](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/18/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

AGF Commission Position: Support

S.655 (Teaming with Wildlife Act, 2009)

Title: A bill to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to ensure adequate funding for conservation and restoration of wildlife, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen. Johnson, Tim](#) [SD] (introduced 3/19/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (5)

Latest Major Action: 3/19/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

AGF Commission Position: Support

S.690

Title: A bill to amend the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act to reauthorize the Act.

Sponsor: [Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L.](#) [MD] (introduced 3/25/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (6)

Related Bills: [H.R.2213](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/25/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.720 (Federal Land REPAIR Act)

Title: A bill to provide a source of funds to carry out restoration activities on Federal land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Udall, Mark](#) [CO] (introduced 3/26/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 3/26/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.724

Title: A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to temporarily prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from considering global climate change as a natural or manmade factor in determining whether a species is a threatened or endangered species, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Barrasso, John](#) [WY] (introduced 3/26/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 3/26/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.727 (Prevention of Equine Cruelty Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit certain conduct relating to the use of horses for human consumption.

Sponsor: [Sen Landrieu, Mary L.](#) [LA] (introduced 3/26/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (16)

Related Bills: [H.R.503](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/26/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

S.783 (COAST Anti-Drilling Act)

Title: A bill to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to permanently prohibit the conduct of offshore drilling on the outer Continental Shelf in the Mid-Atlantic and North Atlantic planning areas.

Sponsor: [Sen Menendez, Robert](#) [NJ] (introduced 4/2/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 4/2/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.796 (Hardrock Mining and Reclamation Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain land, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Bingaman, Jeff](#) [NM] (introduced 4/2/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (None)

Latest Major Action: 4/2/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.812 (Rural Heritage Conservation Extension Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions.

Sponsor: [Sen Baucus, Max](#) [MT] (introduced 4/2/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (6)

Related Bills: [H.R.1831](#)

Latest Major Action: 4/2/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

S.816 (Preservation of the Second Amendment in National Parks and National Wildlife Refuges Act)

Title: A bill to preserve the rights granted under second amendment to the Constitution in national parks and national wildlife refuge areas.

Sponsor: [Sen Crapo, Mike](#) [ID] (introduced 4/2/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (14)

Latest Major Action: 4/2/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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